

Subject: New research briefs on LA housing affordability
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The research is clear: Los Angeles needs to build more housing.

The city's affordability crisis is indisputably the result of a severe housing shortage. The pace of housing development has not remotely kept pace with the increase in new residents over the past three decades, and as a result Los Angeles has seen dramatic increases in homelessness, displacement, and resident cost burdens.

Lewis Center scholars Michael Lens and Paavo Monkkonen, along with graduate students and staff, have spent the past year examining the underlying causes of the crisis, and we are pleased to share three new briefs detailing their research:

- [Is Los Angeles Destroying Its Affordable Housing Stock to Build Luxury Apartments?](#)
- [How Proposition U Restrains Los Angeles Housing Development](#)
- [Overcoming Opposition to New Housing](#)

Together, the research briefs draw straightforward conclusions about why there isn't enough affordable housing in LA — and how the tide might be turned.

We invite you to dig into the new research on our [issue briefs page](#) and to stay tuned for upcoming events in our ongoing campus series, [Housing, Equity, and Community](#), to join the discussion.

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